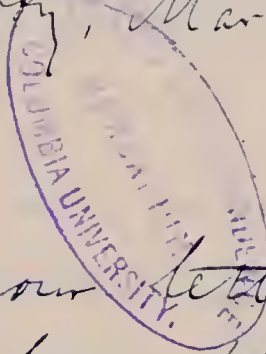


NY, March 21, 1840.

And April 2nd

Dear Sir:



I received your letter of the 3^d inst. but, owing to illness, have not been able to answer it before this time. I have been suffering from an attack of Pleurisy for 3 or 4 weeks, & am now recovering.

You wish another specimen of the *Gymnanthes*, and I now send you all that I have of it, which a very poor specimen. You may be surprised at seeing a specific name attached to it in Eaton's Botany, but I am in no way accountable for this; it is wholly the work of P. E.

By some strange mistake in the punctuation ^{of the specific description} the cauline leaves are represented as being coriaceous, whereas this term was intended to apply to the radical ones. I have brought very fine plants from Mich. ~~Lophoceros~~ mostly single specimens.

Mr Bull my Assistant in Mich. has put up a bundle, & I have added a few in a separate parcel, for you. I have not strength to overhaul my plants to send you all I wish to.

I have committed a great blunder in getting the Flora wrongly, but on the receipt of your letter. I took immediate measures to have it corrected on the succeeding sheets. As for the T. & G. I never had any thing to do with it, but on receiving your letter I stopped the progress of the error. As for the Capital letters at the beginning of some species, it was out of my power to have them inserted. Prof. E. says the Printers have not got type to do it with. You mention

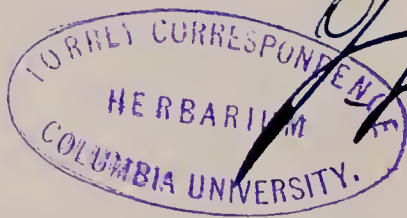
other errors which ought to be corrected, but I have not
time to attend to them. I practice medicine for a
living, & consider Botany a secondary affair. Both Prof.
Eaton, & the Publisher, Mr. Gates, understood from me,
before the present Edition was commenced, that my time
would not admit of ~~any~~ undertakers to correct all of the
errors of the Book. All that I have attempted to
hasten to correct in some measure the language, ~~correct~~ ^{improve} some
of the descriptions, & insert new ~~ones~~ ^{plants} when I could con-
veniently get hold of them & transfer a few species to
other Genera. The whole has been done hurriedly. I
have never seen the copy before going to the printer,
& never but one Proof of a form, & that without
copy to compare with it. I have mentioned these
circumstances to show you the relation in which I stand
to the book. The corrections &c which I have sug-
gested have been written on sheets of paper & sent
to Prof. E. The Prof. knows that there are mistakes
in the Book, but he is too old to correct them,
and as for myself I never thought of undertaking to
correct all its errors.

I sent you all of my specimens *Baptisia leucophora*
and as I have no description of it, I wish that you will
write me one - also with a description of the Genus
Vilfa. I have hunted until almost exhausted for
some specimens of *Utricularia purpur^{ea}ifolia* but they are
not possible at present. The mistakes in quoting the *F. loon*

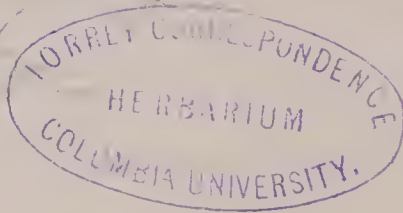
will be corrected in the page of corrections at the end of the
Botany. also the Y. & J.

Yours truly,

Prof. Torrey.



What all inform, the Prof. Torrey of the plants of the
he has no other specimens. He has marked such of
the ~~herbarium~~ labels "all". He would like to have some
returned - all the rest you will please keep for yourself.
His plan given as collected in Chicago. I am
sincerely, I hope to return an order
of them, either to the Prof. Torrey.



Prof. John J. ...
New York.

Respectfully of
Mr. Burton

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Dear Sir:

I send a few more plants, which I should like the names for; if you have leisure please look at them. You are at liberty to detain all that ^{are} in the package. I have a collection of Lichens from Michigan, which I will send to you if desired. Several of the plants which I have send do not appear in your catalogue of the state plants, probably they were inadvertently left out - they are *Polygonum articulatum*, *Potentilla anserina* & perhaps a *Fraxinus*.

Allow me to introduce to your favorable notice, the bearer of this package, Dr Newcomb, of this city. His favorite study is conchology.

Dr J. Torrey

Yours truly John Wright

from the J. Brooke Collection
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